

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0003] with the following amended paragraph:

[0003] Technologies associated with the communication of information have evolved rapidly over the last several decades. Computers, television (TV), cellular telephony, the Internet and optical communication techniques (to name just a few things) combine to inundate consumers with available information and entertainment options. Taking television as an example, the last three decades have seen the introduction of cable service, satellite television service, pay-per-view movies and video-on-demand. Whereas television viewers of the 1960s could typically receive perhaps four or five over-the-air TV channels on their television sets, today's TV watchers have the opportunity to select from hundreds and potentially thousands of channels of shows and information. Video-on-demand technology, currently used primarily in hotels and the like, provides the potential for in-home entertainment selection from among thousands of movie titles. Similarly, personal computers have evolved from machines that were loaded with a handful of programs which were individually run in isolation to systems that concurrently run a number of programs each of which may have a large number of options and features from which a user can select.

Please replace paragraph [0019] with the following amended paragraph:

[0019] In order to provide some context for this discussion, an exemplary computer system in which the present invention can be implemented will first be described with respect to Figure 4. Those skilled in the art will appreciate, however, that the present invention is not restricted to implementation in this type of system and that it can be implemented in any system or device which employs a user interface. Therein, a display 40 is connected to a computer 42. The computer 42 includes, among other things, at least one main processor 43, memory 45 and other

hardware/software used to generate interfaces according to exemplary embodiments of the present invention. Input devices including a pointing device 44 and keyboard 46 can be used to interact with the interfaces generated by computer 42 and shown on display 40. In this example, the pointing device 44 is a mouse having two buttons 48, 50 and a scroll wheel 52, however those skilled in the art will appreciate that any type of pointing device can be used in conjunction with the present invention, including a pen, a trackball or a joystick. Likewise display 40 can be any type of display capable of generating showing interfaces according to the present invention including a CRT cathode ray tube (CRT), liquid crystal display or touch-sensitive display (in which case the pointing device 44 can be omitted). Computer 42 can be a personal computer, a workstation or a mainframe.